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ATTENTION: BOX PATENT APPLICATION

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For: UNIVERSAL PASSIVE PROTECTOR FOR AN IV CATHETER

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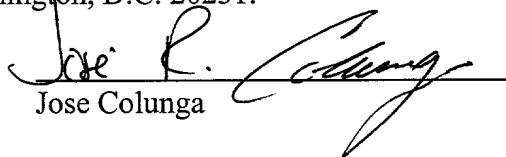
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